

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT

In re application of: Otsuki

Attorney Docket No.: MES1P047,

PF04G271/2-US

Application No.: 09/960,618

Examiner: NGUYEN, LAM S

Filed: September 21, 2001

Group: 2853

Title: PRINTING UP TO EDGES OF PRINTING

PAPER WITHOUT PLATEN SOILING

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AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

All pending claims have been reproduced in an appendix below for the convenience of the Examiner. The appendix pages may be treated as substitute pages for the pages of claims in the present specification.

Please substitute the following clean claims 1, 2, 19, 33, and 34 for the corresponding claims. A marked up version of the amended claims and all pending claims are presented in the Appendix below.

1. (Amended) A dot-recording device for recording ink dots on a surface of a print medium with the aid of a dot-recording head provided with a plurality of dot-forming elements for ejecting ink droplets, the dot-recording device comprising:

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<u>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL</u>

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Sir:

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	40	MINUS	40	00	x 9 =	x 18 =
Independent Claims	04	MINUS	04	00	x 42 =	x 84 =
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$140.00	\$280.00
				Total	\$	\$

Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.

Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. MES1P047).

Respectfully submitted, BEYER WEAVER & THOMAS, LLP

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